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RE: 30 Day Post-General Report (10/17/02-11/25/02)┐

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Dear Mr. Walker;┐

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This correspondence is in response to your "Request For Additional Information" ("RFAI"), resulting from the Republican National Committee's ("RNC") "30 Day Post-General Report (10/17/02-11/25/02)".┐

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To clarify expenditures listed for Production Cost and Video Services, these are RNC operating costs. None of these expenditures are Candidate specific. No media related expenditures listed on line 21 are intended for or directed by a specific candidate. They are either generic overhead costs or RNC fundraising costs. A version of this note is attached to all filings that include these costs.┐

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Regarding Schedule H4, we have incorrectly listed the event names on some disbursements. Events listed as "M" and "T" refer to the events "M11" and "T11" respectively. Events listed as "K11" are meant to be "A" as they are administrative transfers. We have corrected the data and amended the report. These corrections do not require changes to Schedule H2, as you suggested. Our use of the "K" event is an in-house auditing procedure to track certain administrative financial activity, and is not a separated event. The reason this clerical error occurred is not clear, but steps are always being taken to help prevent these types of problems.┐

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With regard to the difference between the itemized receipts and the amount reported on Line 1 of Schedule I for the Republican National State Election Committee, the amount represents transactions which do not meet the requirements to be itemized.┐

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With regard to the "usual and normal charge" for fees received from a federal candidate on Schedule A supporting Line 15, the RNC charges fair market value for services it provides. Prices are intended to recover the cost for providing the service. The services reported on this schedule for which the RNC received payment were not services of a nature which is unique to the RNC. Services of this type are common in the business community and as such, the RNC compares and sets the price charged to prices available from other commercial sources.┐

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Regarding coordinated expenditures, we have not reported activity in excess of limitations. The activity we have reported regarding this issue is accurate and in compliance with the requirements of the FECA. Our committee has an agency letter from the Maryland Republican Party that instructs us to use sufficient funds to allow the expenditures we reported. We would be happy to provide a copy upon request. No redesignation, refund or amendment is necessary to correct our report.┐

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I trust this response answers your inquiry. However, if you need further clarification please do not hesitate to contact me.┐

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Sincerely,┐

Pat Huyck┐

Director of Accounting┐